

Claims:

1. A treatment block formed from a solid block composition which includes: a surfactant constituent, a hydrocarbon solvent constituent, and one or more further optional constituents.
2. A treatment block formed from a solid block composition which includes: a surfactant constituent, a hydrocarbon solvent constituent, a bleach constituent, and optionally one or more further constituents.
3. A treatment block according to claim 1 or 2 wherein the hydrocarbon solvent constituent is mineral oil exhibiting a flashpoint of at least about 75°C.
4. A treatment block according to claim 1 or 2 wherein the hydrocarbon solvent constituent is a paraffinic hydrocarbon exhibiting a flashpoint of at least about 75°C.
5. A treatment block according to claim 4 wherein the hydrocarbon solvent is a linear paraffinic hydrocarbon.
6. A treatment block according to claim 4 wherein the hydrocarbon solvent is a branched paraffinic hydrocarbon.
7. A treatment block according to claim 6 is a mixture of C₁₃-C₁₄ branched paraffinic hydrocarbon.
8. A treatment block formed from a solid block composition substantially as described with reference to the Examples.